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It may be well to speak of anothe nenomenon not infrequently observed. do not recall ever seeing the name by which it is known in print, and, as the word is ignored by Webster, I shall invent my own spelling and write it 'sea This term is loosely used on different parts of the coust, but the true significance of it is briefly this: There will sometimes come, at every bathing ground, days when the ocean eems to lose its head and to act in a very capricious way. On such occasions it often happens that the beach is out away at some one point, presum ably where the sand happens to be ofter and less capable of resisting the action of the water.

There will then be found a little bay indenting the shore, perhaps ten feet, perhaps ten yards. The waves rolling luto such a cove are deficated somewhat to speak, meet and, running straight will, if the conditions that cause it continue, cut out along its course a depres sion or trench of varying depth and

It can be readily understood that such a trench tends to strengthen the current that causes it, and these two factors, acting and reacting upon each other, occasion what might be called an artificial "under tow," which is sometimes strong enough to carry an unwary bather some distance out, in a ashlen that will cause him either to be glad he is, or to wish he were, within the rectangle of the life lines.

I have sometimes heard old surfmen speak of what they call a "false poose," at I have never been able to find out just what was meant by the expression much less its causes and character. I shall therefore leave the question for those who delight to delve into the mysteries of local nomenclature.—Duffield Osborne in Scribner's.

Trouble in a French Madhouse.

There is nothing, mad doctors say, ore unusual than for lunatics who are together to act on a common impulse. Last Sunday, however, six innertes of the Bicetre asylum were so irritated and oppressed by the sultry weather preceding the bailstorm as to take an identical course in letting off their nervous excitement. The outbreak took place in the refectory, where a lunatic, who has often had to be kept in a padded room, complained that a new keeper had deprived him of a portion of food to which he was entitled. The complaint was well founded. As the ast patience and dashed the plate before him against the wall opposite. Five others followed his example, and then ran to pitch everything they could my their hands upon out of the win-

M. Pinon, the governor, was 'called, compulsion of a violent kind never being suffered unless by his order. As he entered the refectory a dish was broken on his head, and he and a keeper who was with him had difficulty in escaping with their lives. The mad people tore down the fron bars which formed a partition between their part of the hall and a section where other patients were dining. Then they got to the keepers' rooms, and, seizing knives and razors, went out to cut the throats of those who denied them their liberty. Troops were summoned from the fort, and arrived as the mutineers had got possess sion of the kitchens and courtyard. When twenty soldiers with fixed bayonets entered the latter there was a sudden collapse The six ringleaders dropped their knives and razors, begged pardon and submitted quietly to be taken to their cells. Nearly all the keepers were seriously injured. One, Fournier, was beaten with a chair and his arm broken in two places. A mad-man named Jolly rifled a desk of bank notes, all of which he ate. - Paris Cor. London News.

You Can Learn to Swim in an Hour. One often hears of the difference beween the feminine and masculine stroke in swimming, but there is really no difference, unless it be that a man can naturally put more strength in his stroke and has a longer reach than a woman. In all other essential points they are identical, but men cannot compare in gracefulness with lady

Mr. Labouchere, editor of The London Truth, after noting that probably not one in twenty of the persons who indulge in bathing on a holiday can wim, proceeds to tell his renders how to acquire the accomplishment. His advice is offered to men, but it is as applicable to the ladies, as advicegenerally a very cheap commodity— sually is. "Nothing," he says, "is more easy than swimming. When the air is out of the body its owner sinks; when the air is in the body its owner floats. Let any one slowly draw in his breath as he draws back his legs and pushes forward his arms, retain it while as is preparing for the stroke which is to propel him, and slowly allow it to go through his lips as his arms are passed back from before his head to his sides

and his legs are stretched out.

'The action of the stroke should not be quite horizontal, but should be made on a slight incline downward. The real reason why people take weeks to learn how to swim is because swimming professors either do not know or do not choose to teach the philosophy of breathing so us to render the hady buoyant. I would engage to me a tolerable swimmer in

mices he be a connected of a Trath Is Stranger Than Fiction Seventeen years ago I lived with my father and mother on the banks of the Stranger river, in Atchison county, Kan-ans. I was only 7 years of age, and one day my youthful fancy was caught by the pretty colors of a blacksnake. I pulled a small ring off my finger and a string out of my pocket. Placing the ring over the head of the snake, I started Burne in eny Lemp without danger of Exploding or taking fire. See that you get the genuine. For sale by

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I shed a few tears at the time, but had forgotten the matter until lately. I re-turned to the vicinity of my old home in Atchison county for the purpose of buying some sheep. While crossing a small creek that flows into the Stranger small creek that nows into the Stranger river my attention was called by the barking of my dog to a strange some-thing in a tree. I investigated and found there an immense blacksnake, fully ten feet long. Between the dog and myself we succeeded in killing the

snake, though I was obliged to use in the warfare both a club and a revolver.

The dog finished the snake by giving it a shaking and tearing it in pieces.
You will hardly believe me, I know, but you can have my head if it wasn't the same identical snake that got away from me seventeen years ago. How do I know? Simple enough. That little blacksnake had grown to be a monstrous big one; the little silver ring around its eck had grown until it was as large as a lady's bracelet, and the piece of twine had grown until it had become a good sized rope. But the strangest part of all was that the dog had shaken out sevenby its sides and "set" together at its been little blackscakes, and that each one head, so that two wings of a breaker, so was the exact counterpart of the snake that made its escape from me in the long out from the point of junction, form a sort of double "under tow," which will, if the conditions that cause it convings, and attached to these rings were short pieces of twine. And upon each

one of these silver rings you could plainly distinguish the initials of my name, just as they had been stamped in the silver ring that I were when 7 years old.—

Kansas City Times.

The Heroines of Young Writers. A woman with a turn for literary work who notices that she is distanced as far as success and admiration goes, by rivals inferior in mental capacity to herself, flies eagerly to the society of her own fancies and makes her pen her greatest friend. It is the lot of many girls to pass their childhood or youth in a somewhat monotonous round of do-mestic duties, and frequently in a narrow domestic circle with which they may have no great intellectual sympathy. It is a delightful consola-tion for the shortcomings of the social life around them to build up an imaginary picture of social life as it might be -full of romantic adventures and pleas ant conquests. In manufacturing her heroins the young recluse puts on paper what she would herself like to be, and what she thinks she might be if only she had golden hair and a wider sphere of action, or if men were wiser and

more discerning. In the slights offered to her favorite ideal she paints the slights that might be or have been offered to herself, and she glories in imagining the triumphant way in which (under more auspicious circumstances) she would turn upon her enemies and trample them under foot. The vexations and annoyances she is usually able to describe with spirit and accuracy. The triumph, being the representation of her own delicious dreams, s apt to be a little too spectacular; it is too complete; rivals and enemies are too effectually crushed; the world looks on and applands with rather unnece vehemence; the underrated martyr of the first portion of the book has somewhat too magnificent an apotheosis at its close. -Illustrated American.

Money Spent for Show. Ten thousand carriages in Centra park have a coachman and footman. At least 5,000 more have a coachman. Twenty-five thousand people ride there simply to wait on the rich, to minister to the luxury of the opulent. Ten thousand of these people are lackeys. The gorgeous and impressive uniforms—tall hats, rosettes, top boots, buttons—of the coachmen and lackeys are furnished by the owners of the carriages. They buy uniforms for the coachmen and lackeys just as they buy harness for the horses, and the cost is about the same. The uniforms cost about \$150 per carriage. For the 5,000 more modest turnouts, with a plain, old fashioned coachman. the uniform costs about \$30.

It costs \$1,500,000 to make the coachmen and the lackeys look like monkeys. It costs \$150,000 more to dress up the old fashioned coachmen. The aggregate is \$1,650,000,—New York Journal.

A traveler in the far east relates that Chinese gentlemen of quality consider it beneath their dignity to invent their own jokes. When they go into society each carries with him a collection of bon mots and smart repartees, obtained from various sources, and when he thinks the time has come for him to make a sage remark he turns over the leaves of commonplace book till he lights on a suitable passage, which he gravely points out to his neighbor. The latter reads the passage with equal gravity, whereupon he selects from his own stock an appro priate rejoinder, which he shows other with a bow. Both then smile sol-cumly, and, after many compliments, re-sume their conversation.—Il Popolo Ro-

A Ghost in London The story goes around in London that a ghost has really been seen. A well known woman, just before appearing in some private theatricals, saw an old friend standing near the entrance of her dressing room. She greeted him, but he only shook his head and walked away. She learned the next day that her friend had died the day before she thought she saw him.—San Francisco Argonaut.

PURSUING A BLAVER.

Remarkable Shot Destroys the Lemo Eared Neille with 75,000 Souls on Board. "I attended 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' at the Park theatre the other day," said Patrolman Streight to the Anadas club, and as I sat in the gallery and watched Eliza canter across the foe-made of canvas—just ahead of four or five dege-that might as well be made of canvas, so far as caninology goes, it brought back to my mind an incident in my career that should I live to be as old as Magu-

"Who?" asked Sergt, Joyce. "Maguselam, the guy who existed on a certain earth for 10,000 years. I say, fellers, if I should live to his age I shall not forget it. I can't remember the exact date, but it was less than a hundred years ago that I was in command of the French man-of-war Sein, and my mission on the high seas was to look out for and capture African slave traders. One moonlight night as we were plowing the swelling Atlantic at the nominal speed of seventy-five miles an hour the lookout at the most head reported a sail on our lee quarter. I ordered the helm thrown down hard and as the luge ship obeyed the rudder her steel prow killed nearly 1,200 fish. But we had more at stake than fish, and we did not stop to take any of them up. In a short time we were headed for the strange san, and it wasn't long until from the quarter deck I could see her plainly.

"The smoke stacks of the Sein became red hot, and one of them melted to the decks, but I called for water, and the decis, but I called for water, and the ship was saved from destruction. We did not lessen our speed for a little thing like that, but continued to split the ocean open. Soon a long, sinuous black smoke ascended high above the masts of the chase. Then I knew what we were after. Hastily beating the men to quarters I, in the deliberate voice I use on the Lincoln Lane gang, told them that there was fun ahead. The vessel 200 miles ahead of us was a slave dhow, and for the honor of ourselves particularly, and France as a matter of course, we must capture her. 'And when we do, says I, 'you fellers know your business.' For two days and nights we chased the strange craft, and during that time I did not sleep a wink or eat a mouthful of food, I was so excited. At six bells on the third day we were in shooting range. and I ordered the ten ton rifle cannon to be fired. The eighty ton shell fell ahead of the slaver nearly two miles.
"The effect on the water was terrific.

You notice I said the shell weighed eighter tons, and as it fell into the ocean it #4 ploded. The water raised in a solid wal that was. I should judge, 900 feet thick hole that you could put the state house, court house, insane asylum, blind asylum and Union station into all at one and the same time—that is, of course, if you had them there. The slave ship plunged against, at and into this wall, and then came a mighty crash—a crash that was caused, as I afterward learned, by an sland sixty miles distant being washed from its base by the waves. The ship penetrating the wall caused it to break and the upheaved water fell in torrents, while the slaver teetered on the brink of the huge abyss for a moment and then fell bow first into the hole, and the scattered fragments of the broken wall falling

upon her buried her from sight forever.
"In a few hours the sea was calm and for two months we cruised in that vicinty, but not a sign of the lost slaver was found. Two years after we picked up on the coast of Zanzibar a water soaked book that I am satisfied was the 'log' of the lost ship. According to the book the dhow that we destroyed was the Lemon Eared Nellie, from New Brunswick, and she had 75,000 slaves aboard, all of whom vere drowned. I felt so bad about this that I resigned my place in the French navy and got a job on the Indianapolis police force with more pay and less work."—Indianapolis Journal.

Waiting for Brother William. A trembling old man entered John Mulvihill's saloon in Front street. Said

"Well, Pop, who are you looking for?" "My brother. He is a pilot on the boat Edward Blunt. He'll be here by 2 clock. His name is William. He's

older than me. The old man's name is Edmund Johnson. Twenty-five years ago he was a policeman in the Tenth precinct. He is 71 years old. His brother was drowned off Sandy Hook so long ago that the oldest pilot cannot remember the date. Yet every day "Pop" Johnson walks up and lown Front street cheerfully awaiting William's return. He is perfectly sane in every other respect.—New York Sun.

When Men Buy Candy.

The writer was' talking to Clerk Peaock at the Hoffman house the other day when a messenger boy came to the desk and left a package for one of the guests. The package was from a well known confectioner. Mr. Peacock gave a receipt for the package, and when the boy had gone said: "Now, I know that the gendeman for whom that was left is going away. I can always tell when a man is going away by those packages. It is a sure sign. Men don't buy candy for themselves, and when they get it to take away with them they always wait until just before they go. That guest's room will be vacant probably this evening. but he is certain not to remain after tonight."-New York Letter

Safety Pastener for Envelopes A novel construction of a safety fastener for envelopes is the subject taken out by an English inventor. His object to render envelopes secure again their flaps being tampered with or the contents being extracted without destroying the envelope itself.—New York

A curious trap at the patent office is an imitation rat that has a piece of toasted cheese stuck on the end of a little spear that projects from his nose a short distance. When a real rat comes up to nibble at the cheese the spear jumps out about six inches and impales the unfortunate.

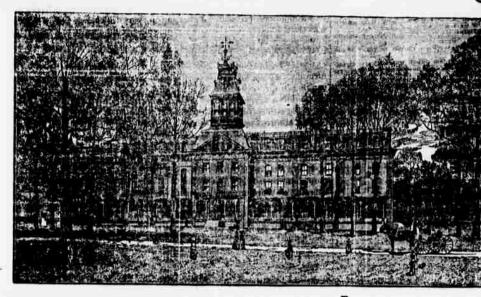
I was talking with a friend whose hair and whiskers are almost snow white at 45. "You may not believe it," said he but I was fool enough to dye my hair for ten years. I began to get gray at nineteen years of age. I went to the druggist, and he mixed me up a hair dye, with sugar of lead and sulphur and other ingredients, which I began to use, i went into the army and held a commission, and wherever I went I was vain enough to carry that hair dye. I would put aside necessary articles from my luggage in order to carry that dye with

"After the war I bought a plantation and down there among the negroes and the alligators I was just as particular to use my hair dye daily as if I was going to a ball among fashionable people. I came to New York and went into business. One morning a friend from outside the city met me on Broadway. 'I wan to go to Beaver street, said ho. I couldn't tell him where Beaver street was. I took him to my office, right past Beaver street, and sent him to his destination by the office boy. Then I got a cab and drove to a physician, to whom I related my loss of memory. He looked me over and said was the hair dye, and that unless I quit using it I would have softening of the orain. Well, I quit, and now I wonder at myself when I think what a foolish was during those years."-New man I was York Press.

Chanticleer Does Up an Owl.

A young man from the country says that he had a game rooster that kept every other fowl off his beat, and Mor day night he heard a fluttering in his chicken house. The next morning he investigated it and found the rooster and a very large owl on the floor of his hen house. The rooster had driven one of his spurs clear through the owl's head and it hung there, while the owl had a death grip on the rooster's wing. The owl was dead, but the rooster, as soon as scleased from the talon of the owl, SUMMER BOARDING

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PHYSIOLOGY AND HYGIENE.

Do Hends Grow After Mid Age?—Mr. Gladstone's Experience.

Some statements have recently appeared In regard to an alleged steady increase in the size of Mr. Gindstone's head, which it is said is rendered manifest by a progres sive enlargement in the size of the hat re quired to cover it. In regard to these The Lancet says the correspondence exhibits an extraordinary ignorance of well ascertained facts; for if there is one thing which would be acknowledged by all anatomists and physiologists it is that the nervous system, like other parts of the body, un dergoes atrophy with advancing age-ar atrophy that pervades every those, and I arroiny that pervaies every those, and is as apparent in the thinning of the vocal cords that aliers the voice to "childish treble" as in the shrank shanks for which the "youthful hose, well saved, are a world too wide."

No reason can be assigned why the brain hould

should escape the meneral change that affects the digestive and the circulatory systems alike. Its attributes and faculties attain their highest excellence at or before mid age, and from that time forth exhibit only a steady decline. To compare Mr. Gladstone with Napoleon, respecting whom a similar story is related, is absurd. The head of Napoleon may have grown between 20 and 45, because his brain was greatly exercised during the last ten years greatly exercised during the last ten years of the past century and the first ten of the present, but no calls have been made on Mr. Gladstone of late years at all compar-able to the strain on the mental and bodily able to the strain on the mental and bodily powers of the French emperor during that eventful period. The ossification of the satures of the volume of the brain in ad-vanced life; and even granting some slight increase, such increase would be compen sated for by the attenuation of the crania bones, which is well known to occur in old age. A change in form there may be, but none in size.

Pyphus and Ground Water. It is claimed that a connection exists be tween ground water and typhus, the dis-ease increasing in force as the water goes down, and declining as the water rises. It is stated in Nature that, according to Prois stated in State that, according to Fro-fessor Bruckner, the last typhus epidemic in Hamburg was quite in discordance with the variations of ground water. From 1888, it is stated, the typhus mortality in Hamburg steadily fell from 19 to 2 or 3 per 1,000, but from 1885 it rose again to 0; and whereas lafter 1885, the cridingly was a whereas before 1883 the epidemic was a summer one, with its maximum in Au-gust, it now became a winter one, with maximum in December. The curve of ground water continued to have the same course as before. Professor Bruckner points out that this epidemic of 1884-87 corresponded in time with certain harbor works being carried out at Hamburg, and he attributes it to the upturning of enor mous masses of earth, the abode of num beriess factoria, whose diffusion among the inhabitants was thus facilitated."

In referring in one of her lectures to some reprehensible tendencies among fash-ionable women. Mrs. Jenness. Miller is renorant crone that ever sought refuge from poverty and care in gin, and who in the lestitution of creature comfort has planed ble excuse for her infirmity. The medical men are to some extent responsible for this pernicious practice by too indiscriminately rescribing morphine injections.

A Remedy for Black and Blac. To prevent the blood from settling under a bruse there is nothing to compare with the tinounce or a strong infusion of capst cum annuum mixed with an equal bank or mucilage of gum arabic, and with the ad dition of a few drops of glycarin. This should be painted all over the surface with a camel's hair penell and allowed to dry on, a second or third centing being applied as soon as the first is dry. If done as soon as the bigury is inflicted this treatment will invariably prevent the blackening of the bruised theore. The same remedy has no equal in rheumatic stiff neck, according to St. Louis Polyelinie.

The Way in the Provinces.

While in Canada recently I went into candy store to make a purchase, and, as I had always done at home, sampled some of the varieties piled on the counter. And what do you think I found? Cayesase pepper! At first I supposed it was some candy made for April fool's day, but when I sampled two other piles while looked tempting, and from which, had they pleased me, I should have purclassed I found that cavesane pepper was in each piece. "In order to stop customers eat-ing candy they don't pay for," said my companion. I tell you I was mad; and when I thought of the way in this country, where one is asked to sample everytain; unknown before buying, told the clork I didn't want the caramels.-New York Tribme.

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Asheville, N. C., April 11, 1889. The copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the firm name of PULLIAM & CO., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The debts due by said firm will be paid by Lawrence Pulliam, and the debts due to said firm will be paid to him, and the business continued by him.

LAWRENCE PULLIAM. D. C. WADDELL.

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